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TERMINATE A STUDENT

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Overview

Effects of Termination

When an F-1/M-1 SEVIS record is terminated, the following happens:



- Student loses all on-and/or off-campus employment authorization.
- Student cannot re-enter the United States on the terminated SEVIS record.
- Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) agents may investigate to confirm the departure of the student.
- Any associated F-2 or M-2 dependent

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Depending on the termination reason, there may be a grace period during which a student and dependents must depart the United States or apply for reinstatement.

Termination Reason	Duration of Status
Termination for any violation of status	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• No grace period.• If the student and dependents are still in the United States, the student must either apply for reinstatement, or the student and dependents must leave the United States immediately.
Authorized Early Withdrawal	<p>Student and any accompanying dependents must leave the United States within 15 days of termination date.</p> <p>Important Note: This grace period only applies to F-1 students and their dependents. It does not apply to M-1/M-2 students and dependents.</p>



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Change of Status Denied	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nonimmigrant requests a change of status (COS) to F 1 or M 1 and is denied.
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Termination Reason	Duration of Status
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If the nonimmigrant has maintained the current status while the COS to F/M was pending, the student remains in previous nonimmigrant status and must follow the authorized stay requirements of that status.



Preparation for Departure 8 CFR 214.2(f)(5)
(iv)

Termination versus Other End of Program Actions

The table below lists the program ending actions and when a DSO should use them:



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Status

- The student has not/will not use the Initial Attendance

Action	Use It When
	Form I-20 to enter the United States. Note: This cancels all associated dependent records.
Complete Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The record is Active.• The student has both:<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Graduated or completed his/her course of study• Left or plans to leave the United States in the immediate future.
Shorten Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The record is Active.• The student will finish the program earlier than the current program end date in the record.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The record is in Initial or Active status.



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corrected record, but the action will show as a correction in event history.

Terminate a Student Record

To terminate a record in Initial or Active status:

1. Go to the [Student Information](#) page.

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Student Information

F-1 STUDENT Trottier, Alice	SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies - SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies Start Date: May 4, 2015 End Date: May 4, 2019	Status: ACTIVE Status Change Date: May 13, 2016 SEVIS ID: N0004684777
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I-901 Fee Paid I-20 ISSUE REASON: CONTINUED ATTENDANCE

View:
Event History

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Employment Information

Actions:
Authorize To Drop Below Full Course

Change Education Level

Corrections

Complete Program

Disciplinary Action

Extend Program

Shorten Program

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Transfer Out

Employment/Trainings:
CPT Employment Authorization

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OPT Request

Personal / Contact

Gender: FEMALE
Date of Birth: January 1, 1991 Age 25
Country of Birth: FRANCE
Country of Citizenship: FRANCE
Telephone: Student does not have a telephone number.
Email Address: atr@gmail.com

U.S. Address: 1111 ARMY NAVY DR, ARLINGTON, VA 22202 - 2053
Address Status: Address Status
Foreign Address: 1 Main Street
ANGOLA

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Program

Education Level: MASTERS
Major 1 and Name: 50.0701 - Art/Art Studies, General
Major 2 and Name: 01.0102 - Agribusiness/Agricultural Business Operations
Minor and Name: 50.0102 - Digital Arts
Program Start Date: May 4, 2015
Program End Date: May 4, 2019

[English Proficiency](#)
School Declares English Proficiency for This Program

Registration

Initial Session Start Date: May 4, 2015
Current Session End Date: December 18, 2017
Next Session Start Date: January 15, 2018
Length of Next Break/Vacation: 27
Last Session: Study/Research Abroad
Thesis/Dissertation: No
I-901 SEVIS Fee Payment: Transaction Time

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2. Click **Terminate Student**. The *Terminate Student* page opens.

Terminate Student

Required fields are marked with an asterisk (*).

F-1 Student Trottier, Alice	SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies - SEVP School for Advanced SEVIS Studies Start Date: 09/15/2015 End Date: 05/31/2019	Status: ACTIVE SEVIS ID: N0004684777
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1.* Termination Reason:

If "Otherwise Failing to Maintain Status", specify here:

2. Remarks:

You cannot terminate the Initial record of a student, who is requesting a change of education level, if the previous record is still Active. In this case, from the *Student Information* page you must:



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View:

- Event History
- Request/Authorization Details
- Transfer History
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Actions:

1. Authorize To Drop Below Full Course
2. Shorten Program

Cancel Change Education Level

Corrections

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Disciplinary Action

Extend Program

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Document/Training

Student

F-1 STUDY

Vargica

Personal Information

Gender

FEMALE

Date of Birth

April 14, 1994

Country of Birth

SLOVAKIA

Country of Residence

SLOVAKIA

Telephone

Student Email Address

av@gmail.com

Overseas Information

Program

Education

BAC

Major

14.1

Minor

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- Absent from Country for Five Months
- Authorized Drop Below Full Course Time Exceeded

- **Authorized Early Withdrawal**
- **Change of Status Approved**
- **Change of Status Denied**
- **Change of Status Withdrawn**
- **Death**
- **Denied Transfer (M-1 student only)**
- **Expulsion**
- **Extension Denied**
- **Failure to Enroll**
- **Failure to Report While on OPT**
- **No Show – Manual Termination**
- **Otherwise Failing to Maintain Status:** If you select this termination reason, enter an explanation in the text box provided.
- **Suspension**
- **Transfer Student No Show**
- **Transfer Withdrawn (M-1 student only)**
- **Unauthorized Drop Below Full Course**
- **Unauthorized Employment**



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See [Student Termination Reasons Available in SEVIS to DSOs](#) in SEVIS Help Hub



[Termination Reasons article](#) for a detailed description of the termination reasons.

4. Enter any optional comments in the **Remarks** field. This field has a 1,000-character limit.



Comments entered in the **Remarks** field will overwrite existing remarks on page one of the printed Form I-20.

5. Click one of the following:

- **Terminate Student:** Terminates the student. A *Confirm* page opens.

Confirm

Are you sure you want to change the status of the student to Terminated? Once the student has been terminated you will not be able to take any action on this student or print the student's record without

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- Click **No** to cancel the action and return to the *Student Information* page.

- Click **Yes** to proceed with the student's termination. An *Update Successful* page opens.



- Click **Return to View Record** to view the *Student Information* page.
- Click **Print I-20** to print a copy of the student's Form I-20.
- **Reset Values:** Clears all fields on the page.
- **Cancel:** Cancels the termination action and return to the *Student Information* page.

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- View [lists of students in terminated status or soon to be terminated:](#)
 - Students Terminated Due to Change of Status Approved

- Students Terminated Due to Change of Status Denied
- Students Within 45 Days of Termination
- Terminated Students Nearing their Reinstatement Deadline
- Terminated Status Students (in past 18 months)
- [Correct Termination Reason](#), if the termination reason in SEVIS is wrong.
- [Correct Student SEVIS Status](#), if the record was terminated:
 - For authorized early withdrawal and the student is returning after an absence of less than five months.
 - Incorrectly by a DSO, SEVIS, or a government official.
- Request [Reinstatement](#) if the student violated status and will try to regain status without leaving the United States.



- See 8 CFR 214.2(f)(16)(i) for F-1 eligibility criteria.
- See 8 CFR 214.2(m)(16)(i) for M-1 eligibility criteria.

[Create a new Form I-20](#) for initial attendance if the student violated status and will regain status by leaving the United States and re-entering on a new Form I-20.



Regaining status through travel will restart that student's F-1 or M-1 status and benefits clock over again.

Note: You must create a new SEVIS record, and the student must pay the I 901 SEVIS fee again.

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Learn About Summer Employment

While employed this summer, make sure you have all the relevant information on maintaining your student status, and the steps you must take before returning to school.

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